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The SCLC has been publicly identified as a civil rights organization headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia.

The VVAW is a national veterans organization with a national office located in New York City. Its first published objective is "to demand an immediate cessation of fighting and a withdrawal of all American troops from Indochina."

The GLF is a loosely knit organization composed of homosexuals seeking to obtain "civil rights" for themselves in the United States.

The YIP, also known as Yippies, is a loosely knit, anti-establishment, revolutionary youth organization formed in New York City in January, 1968.

Zippies are dissident Yippies who have broken away from the TIP because of dissetisfaction with YIP leadership.

SDS was founded during June, 1962, at Port Huron, Michigan, and in the 1960s functioned as the leading New Left campus-based student organization in the United States. From an initial posture of "participatory democracy," SDS moved to a radical-revolutionary position, with debate centering on how best to create a revolutionary youth movement. Internal factionalism produced a split during the SDS National Convention in June, 1969, which resulted in the following three factions: Weatherman; Worker Student Alliance (WSA); and Revolutionary Touth Movement (RTM). The Weatherman and RTM are no longer affiliated with SDS. The WSA continues to use the name SDS and maintains its national headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.



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Joviet, mainly aging - live off serventions and tourism. In the winter, 130,000 tourtom. In the triater, 13,000 tourists fill the big botald on the sty's Cold Court.

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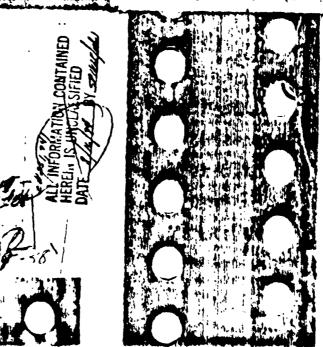
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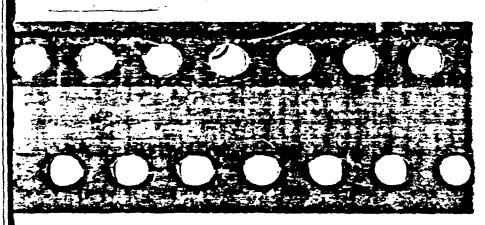
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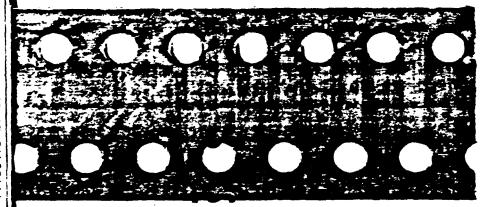
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Recommend that a new 100 case be opened and assigned for the purpose of a preliminary investigation to determine whether their activities fall within our jurisdiction.

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Put Your Money Where Your Mind Is.



THE PEOPLE'S FUND is a new organization in Washington which seeks fundamental change. The Fund believes that people in this city want to direct money and resources to groups who are overcoming the failures of American Society by building new democratically controlled institutions.

Public donations have too long been given to charitable organizations which treat symp-

toms of social problems but never strike at their cause. The People's Fund is an alternative to these superficial efforts.

Why not support charitable organizations such as the United Givers Fund? The United Givers Fund is an inadequate organization that co-opts energy, time, and resources better spent in building a new society.

Charity as practiced by UGF is a guise for maintaining the status quo and for treating problems as if they were nonpolitical. We seek basic change, not false charity.

Who will receive money and resources from the People's Fund? Money and resources will be provided to local groups that meet two general criteria: (1) They are oppressed people organizing to restructure our society, and/or (2) they provide significant services not otherwise available.

Recipient groups are those demonstrating a broad base of support and participation by their constituencies. The People's Fund makes no attempt to influence their policies or practice, and money is given with no strings attached.



Why is the People's Fund being organized? In the Washington area today, problems of racism, sexism, housing, health care, schools, and unemployment have reached crisis proportion. This crisis is a result

of the grossly disproportionate distribution of wealth and power in America. The People's Fund is the mechanism seeded to fund the groups that will provide the political solutions for a redistribution of power.

Who are members of the Fund? To become a member, one need only contribute and indicate a desire to join. Each member will have one vote regardless of how much money she or he has given. An interim working committee has made preliminary efforts to organize the Fund, to select some groups that will receive money from the Fund, and to initiate the Fund Raising Drive.

Are contributions to the People's Fund tax deductible? Contributions will not be tax deductible. In this way, the People's Fund will have the independence to confront social problems with candor, rather than act as if those problems were son-political. The Fund will support groups and their political programs whether or not they satisfy the IRS criteria for tax-exempt organizations.

The People's Fand needs you! All donors who choose to become active members of the People's Fund will have oppor-

tunities to meet and decide on actions the Fund will take.

In the late fall of 1971, there will be an important Membership Conference to elect a governing board, discuss distribution of funds, and map the future of the People's Fund.

The following groups will be among those supported in

D.C. Community Coalition for <u>Peace and Justice</u>. A coalition of 65 groups united to confront policies on the war, welfare unemployment, and housing.

Ggle Street Community Center. A neighborhood center where toen agers and children spend unstructured time with opportunities to learn desired skills.

Welfare Rights Organization. An action organization of welfare recipients lobbying for an adequate income for all citizens (two local groups).

Radicales flan Press. A group of gay women who print materials in order to build better political communication among women.

Washington Free Clinic. Provides services in free prenatal and maternity care, wenereal disease, psychiatric and abortion cogniseling and first aid training.

WAFU (Washington Area Free University). An independent forum in which individuals teach, learn, and experience new ideas together.



Military and Draft Law Ranel A group of lawyers providing draft and military advice, and referrals for pervicemen, draftogs, and veterans.

GLF (Gay Liberation Front).

A group of homosexuals that

organizes against gay oppression and other forms of sexion, and publishes a bi-weelpty newspaper.

SA/A (Special Approaches in Inventle Assistance). A "liberated zone" for youth which provides personal and family counseling, job referral, educational alternatives, temporary housing, and political defense.

Join The People's Fund, mail your contribution today.

The People's Fund. 25 Eos 1815, DC 20009, 387-8081

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Most With a Cause Coul a Rally

By WOODY WEST Star Staff Writer

day in Washington, there was a cause or an event yesterday to accommodate a spectrum of viewpoints and moods.

 Some 2,000 to 3,000 persons protesting President Nixon's Vietnam policies walked from

This story is based on reports from Stor Stoff Writers Nancy Back-Bom, Alma Robinson, Donald Latt and Richard Critchfield.

the White House to the Capitol along Pennsylvania Avenue.

 Thousands of members of school safety patrols paraded down Constitution Avenue with bands and banners in the anmual march sponsored by the American Automobile Associa-

 About 700 persons, protesting the inclusion of a small island chain — the Tiao-yu-tai along with Okinawa in the reversion of that Pacific island to Japan, met at the Lincoln Memorial and then went to the Japanese Embassy to express their displeasure.

 Around 1,200 other persons rallied at the Taras Shevchenko statue at 23rd and P Streets NW, honoring the Ukrainian oet, and then marched to the White House to ask support for freedom for the small national minority incorporated into the Soviet Union, In the late aftermoon; police said about 50 Ukrainians had been arrested across from the White House . The arrests were for blocking tráffic.

The anti-war demonstrators here, matching anti-war gatherings in a number of cities acress the country, were quiet and orderly, for the most part,

Despite the comparatively sparse turnout, sponsors and articipants professed not to e disappointed. Many called examinup for rallies next week and a planned "block ade of the Pentagona we from tomorrow.

The anti-war march from

the White House Ellipse to the Caption was sponsored by the National Feace Action Coali-tion and the Student Propulity tion Committee. However, partion Committee. However, par-licipants represented such oth-er groups as the D.O. Young Socialist Alliance, the Victiam Veterans against fife War, Maryland-D.O. Youth Against War and Talcism, Pederal Employes for Peace and the Gay Liberation provement. After Being called to the

post by two rock bands, the mostly young demonstrators moved off casually, along the sidewalks, toward the Capitol,

Slogans Shouted

"Stop the Bombing; Stop the Mining; Our Steen" read one placard carried in the casual processional.

Some of the young marchers took advantage of a sparkling sun and took off their shirts to get a tan. Police estimated 2,000 to 3,000 took part in the march.

Rep. Abner Mikva, D-III., told the crowd, "We've all been here before. I can't say anything new.'

But Mikva urged participants not to resort to disorder, saying, "You know and I know this . . . isn't going to be ended by shouting. We can't get the GIs off Route 1 in Vietnam by closing Route 1 in Mary-land." Route 1 has been a frequent target of protesting stu-dents at the University of Maryland in College Para.

Jerry Gordon, a national co-erdinator of the National Peace Action Coalition, urged the demonstrators to continue protesting the war. .

"The crime is slience," he said. "The crime is inactivity. The crime is doing nothing. After his speech and declara-tion that "we support America but we don't support Nixon," members of the crowd shouted an obscenity in referring to the President.

Stone Issues Wayning

Journalist I.P. Stone said the war in Vietnam threatens to spread directly to the United States and "if this insane gamble continues" there could

be a "third world war and a suclear holocoust."

Charles I. Cassell, a mem-ber of the F.C. Board of Edu-cation who last week led a contingent of Eastern High School students in an anti-war march, called on "svery stu-dent in Washington, D.C. to participate in regular marches to the Capitol."

He said he would urge the school board to sponsor such demonstrations and called on public officials of Washington to sponsor similar turnouts. Cassell said "shallow, fright-ened IR GIV i d u a l s" in the schools are atraid when witdents express political ideas.

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WASHINGTON-AFRO AMERY

There were a number of anti-gar demonstrations elsewhere in the nation yesterday, generally of modest size.

in New York about \$,000 demonstrators marched up Broadway from Times Square to Central Park, denouncing "escalation" of the war.

In San Francisco about 800 demonstrators an arched peacefully through downtown, chanting "peace Now." That march followed violent protests at Union Square Friday when demonstrators clashed with police outside a hotel where Gov. Ronald Reagan and New York's Gov. Nelson Rockefeller were launching President Nixon's California re-election campaign.

Grant Park March

About 2,500 persons in Chicago followed a casket and drum-beat down State Street to a Grant Park rally against the war.

There were other demonstrations in Boston, Minneapolis, and at a number of colleges. All were reported as generally peaceful.

In the diverse demontrations here, anti-war protesters and youngsters from the school safety patrols at one point found themselves exchanging curious glances as the protesters formed for the march to the Capitol and the youngsters waited for a White House tour prior to their Constitution Avenue parade.

The group that assembled at the Lincoln Memorial — including many persons of Chinese descent — were upset by the inclusion of the Tiaoyu-tal islands are indisporting Serkalas, in the reversion of Okinawa to Japan.

"These islands are indisputably part of Chinese territory

dence," a spokesman said.
"We condemn this U.S.Japanese conspiracy to
transfer illegally the Chinese
territory... between themsolves..."

Ukrainians Demonstrate

From the Taras Shevchenko statue, the Ukrainian group marched to the Russian Embassy and then to the White House.

"We just want Nixon to speak on our behalf when he's in Moscow," said one of the demonstrators who refused to give his name because he said

he intends to visit the Ukraina, this summer. They are upset because of what they call Russian harassment of Ukrainian intellectuals and others supporting independence for the republic within the Soviet Un-

Police said the arrests were made when members of the crowd, warned to stay on the sidewalks, moved on to Pennsylvania Avenue and briefly blocked traffic. They were charged with obstructing traffic a misdemeanor

fic a misdemeanor.

There was a light mood at the Capitol, as the anti-war an archers completed their march. As a background-sum-

ble of jokes from the young ignarchers continued during the speeches, I.F. Stone at one point said, "All this youthful exuberance is fine, but, fallows, this is not a football ralter."

When the chatter continued, the activist journalist interrupted his remarks to say, "Hey, why don't some of you shut up for a moment."

As the demonstrators wandered away, one young men shouled to a nearby podiceman, "Hey, we'll see you next week, Sarge. In a month you'll be working for us."

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The policeman laughed.
"Pay good," he asked.

PLAINTEXT (Type in plaintext or code) TELETYPE UGENT ACTING DIRECTOR (ATTENTION: SACS BALTIMORE.-45 AND NEW YORK 53. FROM: SAC. WFO (100-NEW) DEMONSTRATIONS SPONSORED BY NATIONAL PEACE ACTION COALITION (NPAC) AND PEOPLES COALITION FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE (PCPJ) AT WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC), MAY, SEVENTYTWO. IS-REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES: VIDEM. NPAC WAS FOUNDED IN NINETEEN SEVENTY BY MEMBERS OF THE ITS OBJECTIVE IS IMMEDIATE TOTAL SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP). AND UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL OF ALL UNITED STATES TROOPS AND MATERIAL FROM SOUTEAST ASIA. THE SWP HAS BEEN DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER ONE ZERO FOUR FIVE ZERO., PCPJ IS SELF-DESCRIBED AS A COALITION OF OVER ONE HUNDRED ORGANIZATIONS DEDICATED TO THE ELIMINATION OF POVERTY, RAGISM AND IMPERIALISM THROUGH MASSIVE DEMONSTRATIONS. ON MAY THIREEN INSTANT, FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS WERE MADE BY SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI AND A SPOKESMAN TON THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE. 67C-1 HA 13 4 02 11 77 Approved: DOCUMENT 2021

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THIS GROUP INCREASED TO ABOUT FIVE HUNDRED WHEN THEY LEFT
THE ELIPSE. AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN A.M., THEY PROCEEDED ON THE
SIDEWALKS NORTH TO PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, MARCHED DOWN THE SOUTH
SIDE OF PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE TO FIRST STREET, NORTHWEST, AND THEN
THEY PROCEEDED TO THE WEST FRONT OF THE CAPITOL. THE FIRST OF THE
GROUP ARRIVED AT THE WEST FRONT OF THE CAPITOL AT APPROXIMATELY
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FIFTEEN P.M.

JERRY GORDON, NPAC, COORDINATOR, ACTING AS MASTER OF CEREMONIES, ADVISED SPEAKERS INCLUDED I.F. STONE, LIBERAL AUTHOR AND WRITER SPOKE ABOUT THE ESCALATION OF THE WAR IN VIETNAM, FRED BRANFMAN OF PROJECT AIR WAR, HERMAN FAGG, SWP DELEGATE AND CHARLES CASSELL, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (D.C.) SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER AND CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS WITH THE D.C. STATEHOOD PARTY.

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demands" such have been circulated at the R.P.C.. Plenary Session in Philadelphia, and subsequently. We do not feel those demands are in the interest of the Gay Liberation movement. As revolutionaries, we cannot support them on a principled basis.

Most of the things we disagree with center around what we call "gay mationalism", and around basic definitions of what is meant by "gay' and "homosexual". Unfortunately, we can offer here only a brief definition of these terms. Basically, the problem lies with (I) stereotyped concepts of who/what is "gay" or "homosexual" and (II) a segregationist tendency, gay nationalism, which is based upon these stereotypes.

I. Stereotypes. These would include a whole slew of concepts that have nothing to do with sexual behavior: traits and attributes which are linked to sex or sexual behavior. These definitions are handed down by the oppressor culture, and are part of the system of sexism which oppresses all of us. A "gay" lifestyle, "gay" clothes, "gay" physical types, "gay" manner—isms, "gay" language — all of these represent stereotyped thinking. Every conceivable lifestyle is found among those who engage in homosexual behavior. Using stereotyped traits and attributes to define a person as gay is just as invalid as the reactionary stereotyped definitions of a "real" man or a "real" woman. The ridiculous extreme to which this type of thinking can lead was found in the 1950's in America, when every variety of monconformity was considered a sign of sexual deviation.

II. Gay Nationalism. Stereotyped thinking together with ignorance of or resistance to the continuum theory of human sexuality have led to a tendency within the "homophile"/Gay Liberation movement which we refer to as "gay nationalism". By gay nationalism we mean the extreme segregationist attitude which presents as its ideal the lifestyle based upon the stereotypes of the oppressor culture.

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Our objections to gay nationalism and other varieties of stereotyped and reactionary thinking can best be demonstrated by offering our evaluations of some "gay demands" we find especially objectionable.

THE RIGHT TO BE GAY ANYTIME, ANYPLACE. This demand is meaningful only if we know what it means to "be gay". Does this mean affecting the stereotype? roles of the "gay world" subculture? If so, we oppose this demand. These roles are created and defined by the oppressor culture and serve to keep people in place and divided. To fit into these stereotypes is to side with the oppressor.

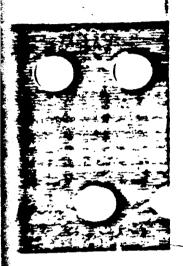
Does this mean having sex "anytime, anyplace"? If so, this could include impractical and anti-social behavior; we feel sexual behavior should take into account the rights of others.

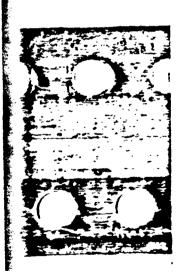
THE RIGHT TO FREE PHYSIOLOGICAL CHANGE AND MODIFICATION OF SEX UPON DEMAND. Stripped of the above-mentioned stereotyped role-playing, we see this demand as advocating the mutilation of the buman body -- and at the expense of the State! "Modification of sex" is a false concept, inasmuch as modern surgery can do no such thing as "modify" sex. No physician has ever surgically changed a man into a woman, or a woman into a man. The only change which has been known to take place so far is to "modify" a man into a eunuch. The euphemisms, "physiological change" and "modification of sex" cover up a lack of real concern for the ethics involved. We are philosophically materialists, rejecting the theological concepts of soul-body dualism, and therefore, we consider an injury to the body an injury to the real person. We are opp osed to surgical mutilation. Medicine whould serve the people.

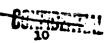
THE RIGHT OF FREE DRESS AND ADORNMENT. We support this demand if it means that the State should not dictate mode of clothing. However, we anticipate a future culture where human beings relate to more important things than clothing, and the word "adornment" suggests a certain pre-occupation with the embellishments of fashion. If this demand means the State should supply free jewelry, this demand is frivolous.

THAT ALL MODES OF HUMAN SEXUAL SELF-EXPRESSION DESERVE PROTECTION OF THE LAW AND SECUEL SANCTION. Preedom of human sexual self-expression must be in the context of responsibility, i.e., limited by a respect for other people's rights.

For those of us in the struggle for Gay Liberation to participate on a basis of equality, certain objective knowledge is required. Ignorance of the continuum theory of human sexual behavior, relevant anthropological studies, etc. causes a distorted view of sexual behavior, and consequently, incorrect politics. We would recommend reading: Homosexual Behavior Among Males by Wainwright Churchill; Patterns Of Sexual Behavior by C.S. Ford and F.A. Beach; the two Kinney studies; and the four Red Butterfly pasphlets.







AT ALL PEOPLE BE TRIED BY MFMREES OF FE TROUP. (with the expl.) that all r' people are peers of the joay people) This demand is clatant gay be tionalism. All gay people are of course not our peers. People should be judged by their actions, and a gay pig is still a pig. Obviously, enemies of the people should not be judged by juries of other enemies of the people:

THAT GAYS BE REPRESENTED IN ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS. This should mean no discrimination, not a quota system based on a forced

definition of people as gay or straight.

THAT GAYS DETERMINE THE DESTINY OF THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. This demand could reasonably be interpreted as meaning either a gay nationalist ideal for a future society, or as a strategy for liberation based upon control of allegedly existing gay communities. Given either interpretation, we oppose it.

If control of existing "gay communities" is meant, this demand would appear to be the result of a facile and unthinking analogy between black and other communities (or ghettos) and supposed "gay communities". A closer examination shows that this analogy does not hold true. The success or failure of this approach as a technique of organizing the masses of "gay" people in this country might be indicated by a comparison of the structure of "gay communities" with that of black ghettos. Three points emerge:

I. Isolation. (A) The masses of blacks reside in ghettos.

"Indeed, they are the ghetto. The masses of "gays" on the other hand

(1) do not reside in ghetto areas (2) do not ever relate to ghettos, or (3) relate to them only casually, as on weekends. (B) Black ghettos exist in every major city and many, if not most, towns.

"Gay communities", in contrast, exist in only a few cities, and those the very largest.

II. Divisiveness. Even within the "gay communities", gay people,
unlike blacks, remain a minority. We should not expect gays as a
minority to govern fairly over the entire area of the so-called "gay
community".

III. Sexism. We know of not one single lesbian ghetto in the entire country. It is axiomatic that a program for Gay Liberation should include women as well as men.

In short, ghettoized gay people are in no way representative of the masses of human beings who have experienced homosexual responses. The great majority of these do not reside in shettos, do not relate to ghettos, and do not identify with the stereotyped life-styles of "gay" ghettos.

If this demand be intended as a future ideal, then we must ask: souldthis mean all-male and all female communities? (which we would not oppose, by the way, as one option among others for those who wanted it) Further, how would one cualify for entry into a "gay community"?

Our oppression largely consists of being forced into exclusive heterosexual or homosexual categories, with streetyped traits assigned on these
bases. The ideal of exclusively gay or straight communities carries forward
this oppression to the extreme of separate (i.e., segregated) living
quarters. It is reactionary to make someone define his or her personhood
entirely in terms of sexual behavior at one particular time in life. What
if a "gay" person preferred to live in a "community of scholars", or a
"community of musicians", or a "community of athletes", or a "community
of farmers"?

We advocate a society where people of all degrees of eagness or straightness relate to each other in community. Therefore, we do not foresee "gay communities", "gay peers", "gay life-styles", or any such ghetto concepts in a free and humane culture.

We must strongly urge that all these desands be remanded for further discussion. Setting forth the politics of Gay Liberation should not be undertaken thoughtlessly.

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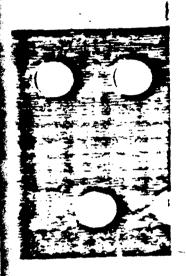
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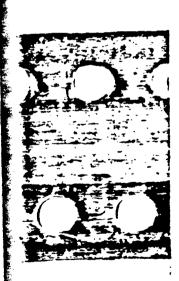
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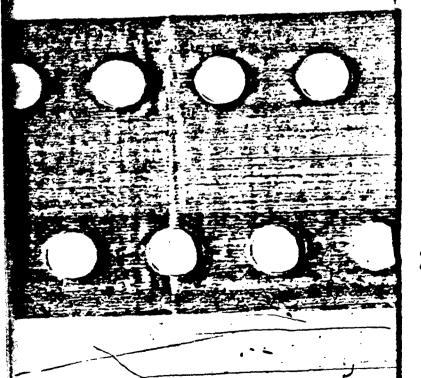




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Still, compared to the vast w of homosexuals, Gay Liberation is very much above board.

"The most radical thing we can my or do is to admit that we are gay," paid David Aiken. GLF's most frequent spoke man. When you think of all the homogenuals who diaguise their sur lyes, just telling yourself and other that you are gay takes sourage,

B has always been easy for he servals to escape notice, although sen affect excessive efferminacy (known as 'camping"), primarily to announce their homosexuality to others. Hence ere is some validity to the Kerndtype of the hip-swinging, head-wagging, ing homosexual

More typical, however, & the manhomosexual businessman wi meets a lover in a motel during hunch hour, or the ghetto black, whose home-sexuality could be painfully embarrans of it it were known to his supermesculine peers. These, and most he mosexuals, dress and act according to convention.

Homosexual radicals often refer to these people as "straight gays" o "closet queens"—names that surry a good deal of scorn. The radicals key the ecret gays frequently are among those who publicly denounce homosexuality.

"No straight people denigrate homosexuals quite as much as homosexuals seem to enjoy denigrating them-selves," said a GLF member who works for a publishing firm.

It would be hard to pick out a CLF ember in a crowd. Typically, they are between 18 and 20 years old and the dress accordingly — in Jeans or bell-lettoms. Some have beards, and almost all have long aideburgs.

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e said, "Td still be standing on Dum-barton Street (a once popular George-own location for "cruising" or picking up promisecous homosexuali). I'd walk for a car to stop, and then we'd go to a bar and make borrible conversation. Then we'd go to bed and then we'd hever see each other again.
"Now I have a lover," he said, "see

also a lot of gay friends with whom I'm, not ashamed to be been. think I've started feeling like a person.

GLF was organized to include hemosexual members of both sexes. How ever, the Washington chapter has suly two women among its active member Polyage Francisco 4- Ferres

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Anne, the more wecal of the bore said that in its beginning, GLF had a sampling of lesbians, but that most of there have deserted Gay Lib for the more militant ranks of Women's Libera **"这种人的,我们就是一个人的。"** tion as a woman

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Paul Breton, a day La a and head of the Hemophile eague a year old organization to remote religious, social and cultural league .fe for homosexuals - thinks that at the moment the chapter is "not ideal" because it is flexible and lost organized. No membership list is its

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But he has thinks that GLP has reached a turning point—that the DC-12 incident marked the beginnia move away from the erganization' trospective nature. The movemen this area has been restrained bece (the radical, homosexual comm

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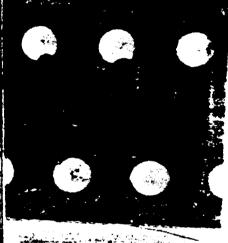
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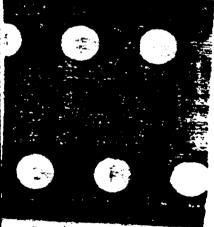
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